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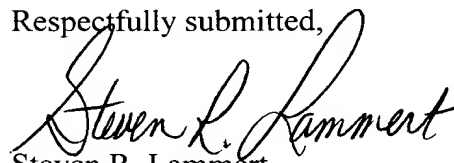
53. The method of claim 49 wherein the defect site comprises bleeding

54. The method of claim 53 further comprising the step of positioning a barrier layer between said bleeding bone and said reconstructive structure, securing said barrier layer to said bleeding bone and securing said reconstructive structure to said barrier layer.

### REMARKS

The foregoing amendment adding a cross reference to related applications is submitted to make a proper priority claim under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 121 to the related nonprovisional applications. Claims 1- 48 have been canceled. New claims 49 -54 have been added. . Support for these claims is found throughout the specification and particularly in claims 42 - 45 as originally filed. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments. This application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Allowance is requested.

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